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Sir:

Please find enclosed a Communication from the European Patent Office dated December 5, 2003 which cites EP 0 812 709 A1 ("EP '709"). EP '709 is already of record in this Application, as it was submitted via an Information Disclosure Statement dated November 8, 2001. The Examiner has since returned an initialed PTO-1449 form, dated September 26, 2002, indicating his review of EP '709.

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